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£23,970,367  
I—Authorized Capital £8,000,000  
Subscribed Capital £4,500,000  
Paid-up Capital £2,437,500  
II—Fire Funds 3,837,047  
III—Life & Annuity Funds 17,597,590  
Sinking Fund Account 139,200  
£23,970,367  
Revenue Fire Branch £2,581,456  
Life and Annuity 2,141,593  
Revenue Marine Department 337,239  
Other Receipts 478,946  
£5,539,234

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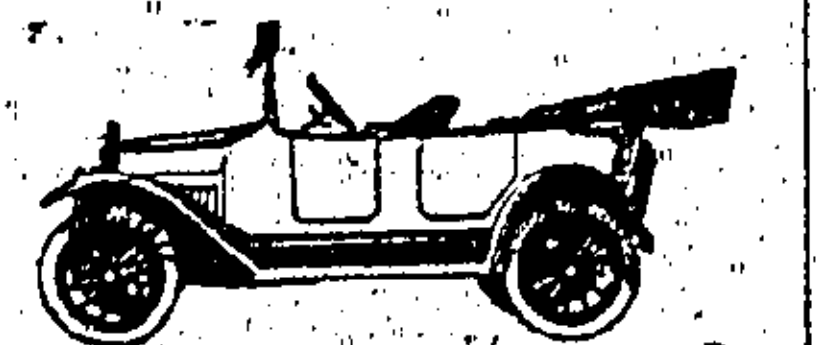
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## THE WAR.

## TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### TURKEY AND PEACE.

GERMANY'S ANSWER.

WILL OCCUPY BULGARIA  
MILITARILY.

London, Oct. 3.

The Zurich Correspondent of the Daily News states that Turkey has informed Germany of her determination to propose peace to the Allies. Germany, in reply, assured Turkey of her intention to occupy Bulgaria militarily.

### A GREAT VICTORY.

ENEMY'S DESPERATE  
DOGGEDNESS.

London, Oct. 2.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, states—

The long and bitter battle is still raging, but has turned so definitely in our favour that it would not be premature to call it a great victory, the enemy's desperate, doggedness and endurance alone warding off immeasurable disaster. By the afternoon of October 1st the Australians had breached the Hindenburg system, thus giving the French flank covering for the capture of St. Quentin.

The way the whole German resistance has stiffened during the past days is remarkable, seeming to indicate the enemy's sudden consciousness that he is fighting with his back to the wall. This is confirmed by the sullenness and scarcely subdued savagery of recent prisoners.

### ENEMY'S RETIREMENT PROBABLE

HIS LINE OF RETREAT  
THREATENED.

London, Oct. 2.

Reuter's Agency learns that the news early this afternoon from the Western Front shows that the advance between St. Quentin and Cambrai, where the enemy's lines have been broken, is threatening his line of retreat from the Oise and St. Gobain. In view of the loss of St. Quentin and the lines northward, the retirement of the enemy on a fairly large scale is probable. This is all that it is prudent to predict at present.

### GERMAN REPORT.

ARMENTIERES AND LENS  
EVACUATED.

London, Oct. 3.

A wireless German official report states—  
We evacuated Armentieres and Lens, without fighting, on the night of the 1st and occupied positions eastward.  
Strong attacks against our new lines north and south of St. Quentin failed.  
French local penetrations in Champagne south of Orfeuil were reduced by our counter-thrusts.

### GERMANS EVACUATE CIVILIANS AT LILLE.

London, Oct. 3.

Frontier correspondents announced that the Germans are evacuating the civilians at Lille.

### ST. QUENTIN-CAMBRAI SECTOR.

ENEMY'S DEFICIENT WAR  
MATERIALS.

LIQUID AIR AS SUBSTITUTE  
FOR HIGH EXPLOSIVES.

London, Oct. 2.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing this evening, says—  
Although fighting blazed up this morning with great intensity, later infantry fighting decreased along the Cambrai-St. Quentin front.

We are busy mopping up and consolidating our gains.

The Canadian attack, yesterday anticipated a very heavy enemy assault, engaging two fresh "storm" divisions. Hence the furious fighting in which the Canadians gradually gained the mastery. The enemy is unquestionably beginning to feel the heavy loss sustained in war materials, and has for some time past employed liquid air as a substitute for high explosives.

In forcing the Beaurevoir-Winancourt line yesterday, the English 32nd Division bore a conspicuous share, finally breaking through the last outpost on the Siegfried line, which enabled the attack to swing northwards, thwarting the Germans' massed below Cambrai.

The statement that the Germans have set fire to Cambrai appears to be unconfirmed. It is now believed that the fire was caused by the burning of dumps.

In the attack along the Canal bank north-west and south-east of Vendhuile our troops relieved a party of Americans, who were surrounded the day before, but had put up a magnificent resistance, though outnumbered. The ground was strewn with dead Germans.

We have satisfactorily progressed eastwards on various parts of the new battlefield.

Our airman dropped over 30 tons of bombs on likely spots. This morning the enemy opposition is increasing as reinforcements appear in the line.

The whole of the Hindenburg system below Bellecourt tunnel is now reported to be in our hands. Strong patrols are working through the tunnel and many lateral galleries.

This morning the Australians are exploiting yesterday's gains and are going on; likewise are the English and the Canadian Divisions between Le Catelet and the Seneffe.

### FIGHTING MORE INTENSE AND STUPENDOUS.

As the climax of the war approaches the fighting grows more intense and more stupendous. Never was there such a searching test of human endurance. The present killing pace cannot long be maintained.

Great progress was made between the Vesle and the Aisne. The enemy retired to the Aisne and Marne Canal. North of Rheims the enemy were forced back upon the river line on the whole of this front, excepting in a small sector, four miles wide and one mile deep, at the extreme northern corner of the Canal, where the enemy is fighting, and on the south bank of the Aisne near Jernicourt Wood, roughly on the Rheims-Lacroix road.

### ST. QUENTIN FULLY IN ALLIED HANDS.

London, Oct. 2.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, says—  
The French have completed the capture of St. Quentin and the town is now fully in our hands.

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## INTIMATIONS

THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2 Lower Albert Road, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 5th day of October, 1919, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 31st July, 1919.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 27th September to 5th October, 1919, both days inclusive.

By Order,  
M. MANUR,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, Sept. 20, 1919. 769

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office at No. 10, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY the 19th of October, 1919.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 12th of October, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.  
General Managers.

Hongkong, Sept. 20, 1919. 756

## DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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7174 They didn't believe me

They had to swim back to the

Shore.

7201 A Perfect Day

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## PICTURES OF ZEEBRUGGE.

GERMAN PHOTOGRAPHS IN OUR HANDS.

How, when, and where did two

photographs, taken by the Germans of

the blocked entrance to Zeebrugge, fall

into British hands?

These photographs were mentioned—

but the manner of their discovery not

revealed—by Sir Eric Geddes, First

Lord of the Admiralty, when he opened

the exhibition of naval photographs in

colour, arranged by the Ministry of

Information, at Prince's Galleries. The

photographs, said Sir Eric, were given

to him that morning, and he intended to

present them to Lord Beaverbrook, so

that they could be included in the exhibition.

"They were taken by a German—I

won't tell you how we acquired them, but

we have got them," he added, "and they

show what we know, that at the time

these photographs were taken, and that

is probably not more than a month ago,

the entrance was completely blocked.

When we see now that destroyers come

out of Zeebrugge that does not refer to

the canal. They refer to something lying

behind the mole, where the 'Indra'

went alongside. There is no doubt

that the blocking of Zeebrugge was

completely successful, and it was a great

achievement.

"I think it will probably interest you

to know that the great name of the 'Indra'

is going to be perpetuated, and we are

calling another of his Majesty's ships

the 'Indra'.

HIS ONLY REGRET.

Lord Beaverbrook undertook that the

two German photographs should be en-

larged and exhibited; and remarked that

his only regret was that the German

who took them was not present with the

pictures.

In his opening speech Sir Eric Geddes

paid a tribute to those responsible for

the exhibition.

"We must, I think, feel astonish-

ment," he said, "at the extraordinary

development of photography which has

taken place during the war, and has

enabled you, Lord Beaverbrook, and

those who have helped you, to give this

wonderful display of new pictures.

I would like particularly to congratulate

and I feel I speak not only for myself

and my colleagues in the Admiralty, but

for every one present—I would like to

congratulate your executive assistants,

Captain Grant and Lieutenant Brooks,

whom I am told, we have to thank for

having taken most of the pictures, and

also Captain Castle, who was charged

with the organisation of this display.

Sir Eric suggested that the photographs

in the exhibition would take the place

of the stories which the Admiralty could

not tell or could only tell badly, but

information should be given to the

enemy; but he himself told some stories

which showed the work of the Navy as

vividly as any photograph.

THE ENEMY'S VIEW.

One was the story of a recent action

near Ireland. "There were six trawlers

up there, trawling for fish," said Sir

Eric. "They were under the command

of an R.N.V.R. Lieutenant. They saw

a submarine coming towards them,

with two large guns—probably six-inch

guns. Immediately the trawlers were

formed up in line of battle and

they attacked. The submarine fired

more than 100 shots at them, but they

worked round her, and the battle

continued not for a few minutes, but for

over an hour. After a while one of the

guns was knocked out and the submarine

turned. "They hit her again and she

dived. "Whether she sank I do not know,

but that was a victory for the fishermen."

"A great deal which we cannot tell in

print is told in the pictures here," said

Sir Eric, "but there are other phases of

naval activity which can hardly be

portrayed even in pictures. Hardly a

day or a night goes by but officers and

men of the Navy visit Heligoland Bight,

either over the water, under the water,

or on the water."

Depth charges are changing the sub-

marine from the hunter to the hunted,

observed the First Lord when he told

the story of a submarine hunt "not far

from a good many seaside places where

she was hunted for seventy-two hours, and

she had thirty-five depth charges drop-

ped on her. At the end she came up

alongside a drifter. The crew came on

deck and surrendered.

"The captain of the drifter took them

on board one at a time, searched each

one, and put them down in the fish hold.

Then he signalled that he wanted a

strong marine guard, as he was bringing

in a lot of prisoners."

A ROMANCE OF BANKING.

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The Royal Colonial Institute gave a

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### OPENING UP BUILDING SITES

QUESTIONS BY THE HON. MR. H. W. BIRD.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird asked the following questions:

1. Will the Government take immediate steps to disconnect the Pokfulam reservoir from the drinking supply of the Colony so that the catchment area of this reservoir may be opened up for building purposes?
2. Will the Government take in hand the construction of a road connecting the Pokfulam Road with the Craigmin Road round the South face of Mt. Kellett somewhere about the 1,000-foot contour?
3. Will the Government take in hand the construction of a motor road to the Peak on the South face of Mt. Kellett on the lines suggested by the Hongkong Automobile Association?
4. For what purpose does the Government intend to use the area above Wongichong Valley previously reserved for Mr. Ede's Portuguese Housing Scheme?
5. Will the Government take in hand the construction of a 20-foot road between the 100 and 200-foot contour from the back of Tai Hing Village round North Point joining the road leading to Quarry Gap thereby opening up a considerable area of easily developed land?
6. In connection with the construction of new roads opening up building sites, will the Government undertake to lay water mains therein so that intending purchasers of land may not have to pay for their water supply out of all proportion to the cost of building?
7. Will the Government consider a project to move the Government Civil Hospital and Lunatic Asylum from their present situation to a more suitable site at Kennedy Town where the present Tung Wah Hospital and Infectious Diseases Hospital are located which would be easily accessible for stretcher cases by motor ambulance, for outpatients by tram, and harbour cases by launch, so that the existing Civil Hospital site together with the Berlin Mission property might be available at a reasonable price for the erection of a large number of cheap flats at low rentals?

ANSWERS TO THE HON. MR. H. W. BIRD'S QUESTIONS.

1. As the quantity of water obtained from the Pokfulam reservoir generally amounts to upwards of 250 million gallons per annum, all of which is available by gravitation, the Government is not prepared to discontinue the reservoir. As there is only one system of mains available for the distribution of water to the City, it is not possible to apply the supply from the Pokfulam Works to other than domestic purposes only.
2. A survey has been in progress for some time past for the construction of a road which will bring the City into more convenient communication with the Craigmin Road district than would be the case by the route indicated.
3. A survey is also in progress for the construction of a road which will, it is anticipated, form a more convenient motor road to the Peak District than that suggested by the Hongkong Automobile Association.
4. It is proposed to construct a road which will render this area more accessible for residential purposes than at present.
5. The Government has in view the construction of a road in the locality indicated, but at a level of about the 400-foot contour. The construction of branch roads connecting with the Shaukiwan Road will render available the area referred to in the question.
6. Arrangements will be made, as soon as conditions permit and development occurs, for affording a supply of water to areas rendered available for building purposes by the construction of new roads.
7. The Government is not prepared to consider such a project, one strong objection to which is that it would involve a large increase in the population of the already very densely populated district.

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### "EXTRA LEGAL EXPENSES"

A BILL FOR \$150,000 IN THE OPIUM CASE.

A PROTEST IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The Governor had recommended the Council to vote a sum of \$151,039.70 in aid of the vote Crown Solicitor's Office, as "Extra Legal Expenses."

H.E. THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT made the following explanation of the Minute to the Legislative Council:—I should like to explain to the Council the manner in which the Government became liable for this expenditure. The expenditure in question represents the costs incurred by the Government owing to their intervention in an action originally commenced by the Official Receiver under the Companies Ordinance, i.e., O. J. Action No. 61 of 1914. The case first came directly to the notice of the Government in the form of a representation to the effect that the Official Receiver, owing to lack of funds, was unable to continue the proceedings. It was pointed out that, in consequence of the extraordinary length of the proceedings, the shareholder who was providing the funds for the Official Receiver had, in supporting the winding up proceedings and the action, already spent a considerable fortune and the whole of his resources then available. It was also pointed out that the action was probably about to be dismissed, part heard, and that the shareholder in question would perhaps be ordered to pay the defendants' heavy costs, solely because he could find no more money for the prosecution of the action; whereas from the facts and allegations disclosed in the course of the proceedings it appeared to be manifestly in the interests of public justice that the case should be carried to a conclusion one way or the other. When the facts disclosed in the winding up proceedings, and the charges which were made in the action, were thus brought to the knowledge of the Government, they were of opinion that the charges made, whether true or false, were such as to demand investigation by the Criminal Courts at the earliest opportunity. They accordingly decided to institute criminal proceedings against two of the defendants in the action and such proceedings were commenced. The intention of the Government was to proceed with the criminal charge forthwith. In the meantime an application was made to stay the civil action, because it seemed unreasonable that the civil action should be dismissed without being fully heard, while the criminal proceedings would raise to a great extent the same points. The Court, however, expressed the view that the civil action should not be postponed so as to allow the criminal proceedings to be completed first, and they refused to grant any stay of the civil action for that purpose. Under these circumstances, and particularly in view of the opinion expressed by the Court, it was decided that the Government should assume responsibility for the future costs of the Official Receiver, and for such costs as the Court might award against him if the defendants proved successful. In considering this decision it must be borne in mind that the criminal proceedings, which on the evidence then before the Government they were bound to institute, would probably have occupied a longer time than the continuation of the civil action, and would have involved extremely heavy costs to both sides. A minor result of continuing the criminal proceedings would have been that a special jury would have had to sit for five days a week during a long period. This expenditure of time and money was avoided by the continuance of the civil proceedings. To proceed with the criminal charges would have meant the beginning of the whole case *de novo*. When the vote subsequently came up for consideration in the Finance Committee, the Hon. Mr. LANDALE asked whether the whole of this amount was for the one case.

The CHAIRMAN—The whole of it, and I would ask leave to add \$830.43 in connection with the costs of the criminal proceedings which were only taxed this morning.

Hon. Mr. LANDALE—Before incurring so large an expenditure would it not have been possible to lay the matter before the Legislative Council?

The CHAIRMAN—It was hardly realized, I think, that the expenditure would come to anything like this sum. It was, as you know, a very long case. The Government anticipated, when they intervened, that the remaining part of the proceedings would be very short, and we were advised that the chances of success were considerable.

The COLONIAL TREASURER—One difficulty about bringing it before the Council would have been that it would not be considered proper to discuss an action which was still going on.

Receiver does not bring an action in his own name unless the funds are ample to cover the costs. When he began the action, of course, he had a very large sum of money, and it was very reasonable to think that that sum of money would cover any possible costs.

Hon. Mr. HOLYOAK—H.E. the Officer Administering the Government referred to a very large sum of money which had already been spent. Can you tell us what that amount was?

The CHAIRMAN—I think the shareholder spent \$125,000 out of his own pocket.

Hon. Mr. HOLYOAK—Did you not think at that time that the matter might have been brought before the Council before embarking further?

The CHAIRMAN—As the Colonial Treasurer has pointed out, it was a rather difficult matter to discuss in Council. It was a very urgent action, still going on, and, as H.E. the Officer Administering the Government explained, the Government did not come into this action except at the wish of the Court. The Government began by taking criminal proceedings. If the Government had known they were going to take up this case they very possibly would have looked into the question of money, but in instituting criminal proceedings the question did not arise.

Hon. Mr. LANDALE—What safeguard is there against any similar incident happening?

The CHAIRMAN—I think this is a peculiar case and it is not likely to happen again.

Hon. Mr. LANDALE—Could not a vote on account have been taken when it was seen that a large sum of money was involved?

The CHAIRMAN—Yes, that might have been possible.

Hon. Mr. LANDALE—I think that the question of the expenditure of so much public money should have come up.

The CHAIRMAN—The Government felt themselves driven to take proceedings on the evidence put before them, and the Government decided that the proper course was to take criminal proceedings. They had no option and they took these proceedings and asked the Court to stay the civil proceedings. The matter went before the Full Court who expressed a very strong opinion against the criminal proceedings and were not prepared to stay the civil proceedings. The Government felt they were bound to follow the wishes of the Court and so took what was apparently the only course.

Hon. Mr. LANDALE—I am not questioning the decision of the Government. What I object to is the expenditure of public funds without coming to the Legislative Council. The only way we can stop that is to vote against it.

The CHAIRMAN—You wish a vote to be taken?

Hon. Mr. LANDALE—Yes.

A vote was accordingly taken and the financial minute was passed by a majority of seven votes to four. The Hon. Mr. Landale, the Hon. Mr. Holyoak, the Hon. Mr. Shelin and the Hon. Mr. Bird voted against it. The two Chinese representatives voted with the official members.

### LADY AND THE ADDER.

A mistake of \$500,000 was made in a financial tabulation in one of the Government departments, recently, and the explanation was amusing. The examining committee, commissioned the official on the excellent form of the accounts, and correctness with which he had presented his large and complicated accounts, but it was found that one of the tables came to a total of half a million too much. "Well," he said, "I have found out how it was. The lady typist, before doing that column of figures had forgotten to clear the adding machine. So it went on tapping out the accounts and it mechanically put the total at the bottom, but it obediently added in \$500,000 that had been left in the machine from some previous transaction." "Ah," said a solemn Treasury official, "It was not in this instance a case of the woman and the serpent, but the lady and the adder."

### AUCTION.

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Liquidator of Messrs. BLACKHEAD & COMPANY, F. H. HOLYOAK, F. J. R. SCHWARTZ, E. H. THIEL and J. E. DANIELSEN in pursuance of an Order of the Hongkong Government to sell by Public Auction at 3 o'clock in the afternoon  
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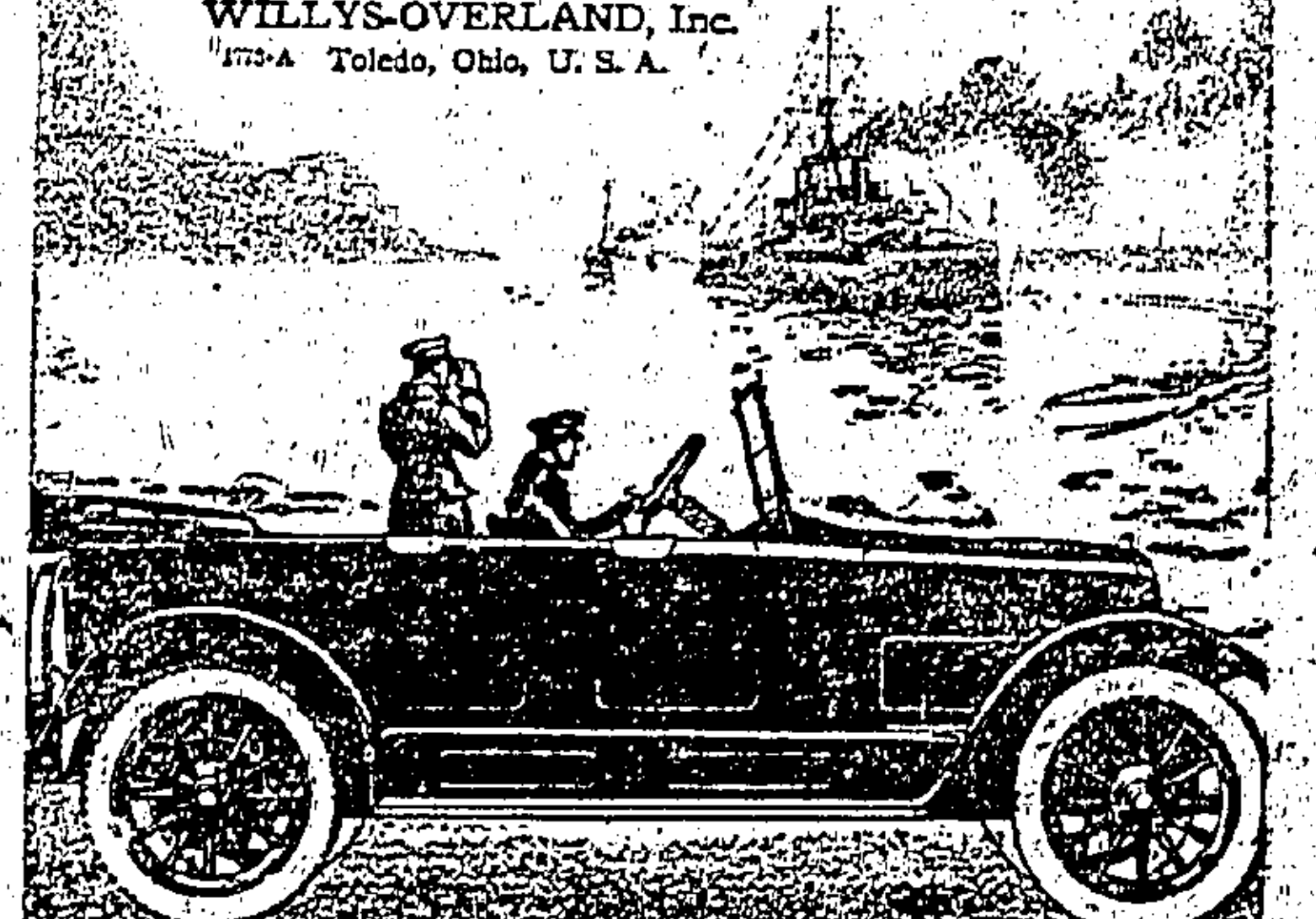
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## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, OCT. 4, 1918.

## THE COLONIAL BUDGET.

THE Budget submitted to the Legislative Council yesterday is a noteworthy Budget for many reasons, but the only feature we should like to dwell upon to-day is the astonishing growth in revenue which is being revealed, year after year, in spite of the adverse influences of the great war. Those who can recall the Budget discussions in the years preceding the war will remember the many grave warnings which were uttered in the Council about the danger of the Colony having to face heavy loss of revenue in the years immediately ahead. Additional taxation was something to be dreaded, for the reason that living had already become very expensive, and that unless that tendency was checked the Colony would lose its status as a distributing centre. If the cost of living increased the rates of wages would have to be raised, and this trade would be taxed to a degree likely to drive it to cheaper centres of distribution. The glooming of the opium divans by order of the Home Government, in order to bring the Colony into line with what was happening in China, created a wave of pessimism. About a third of the Colony's revenue at that time came from the Opium Farm, and the Home Government was so impressed with the representations made on the subject that it actually gave the Colony a grant for three years—amounting altogether to \$340,000, which was regarded by the Unofficial members of the Council as a "miserable pittance." It was then expected that the revenue derived by the Colony from opium would have been entirely wiped out by this time, because the very reason for dispensing with the Opium Farm system, and the Government undertaking to run the opium business itself, was that it was to be a business which would rapidly decline to the point of extinction, and the Government felt it could better assist that policy by running the business itself, as the Straits Settlements Government does, than by farming it out. And what has been the result? We find that after the policy of restricted supply has been eight years in force the revenue from opium is greater than ever it was! A little table given in the Budget address delivered by H. E. THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT shows that, as compared with the approved estimate for this year, the increase in the revenue from the opium monopoly is now set down as two million dollars! This does not necessarily mean that more opium is now being sold in the Colony than ever before. We assume that the Department which was established, in order to carry out the policy of the Imperial Government of restricting the trade in opium is steadily fulfilling that function, and that the increased revenue is due entirely to increased made in the selling price of the drug to correspond with the charges made in the neighbouring districts of China, so that no inducement should be given in Hongkong to the smuggling of opium into China by reason of the drug being procurable there at a lower price. This enormous growth in the Colony's

revenue from opium is something that was entirely unexpected when the old Opium Farm was abolished. The warning voice regarding the uncertainty of this source of revenue is, for the present stifled, though when we are told that the record outlay of two and a half million dollars which it is proposed to spend in the coming year on Public Works Extraordinary is but "a small percentage of the expenditure required thoroughly to develop this great port to meet the probable needs of the next few years," it would be interesting to know what views the Government now entertain regarding the stability of the revenue from opium which constitutes such a large percentage of the total. It is remarkable evidence of the general prosperity of the Colony that its total revenue has doubled in the past five years. The programme of works outlined in the Budget shows that the Government is looking to the continuance of that prosperity. We must reserve for another occasion more detailed comment on the programme.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The *Manila* left Manila on Wednesday and is expected to arrive in Hongkong to-morrow morning.

The *Manila* Observatory this morning reported the Typhoon to be in about 122° Long. E. 23° Lat. N. moving N.W.

We read that the School of Wireless Telegraphy in connection with the Canton Navy has just graduated 31 students. All will be given positions in the different stations of Canton for further training.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government in Council will sit at 9.30 a.m. on Thursday the 10th October, 1918, to hear an appeal from the decision of the General Military Service Tribunal by the International Banking Corporation against the enrolment of Mr. D. Ritchie.

The American Red Cross has received from Queen Mary's Needlework Guild a large case of surgical dressings and bandages made by the Guild which has been presented to the American Red Cross to be forwarded to Siberia in connection with shipments now being made by the latter organization.

An action for criminal libel has been filed at Shanghai by Mr. Richard Hope, of the editorial staff of the *China Press*, against Mr. Gordius Nielsen, late of the *Shanghai Gazette*, in the Royal Danish Consular Court at Shanghai. It is understood that the case will be set for hearing early this month.

An American wireless message states: Twenty-one financiers, business men and leaders in the shipping industry compose a special mission to Japan to develop harmonious trade and economic relations, which goes forth within three weeks. The mission will carry a message of good-will from Seattle and the North-West to the Japanese people and the Japanese business world.

The Bureau of Finance at Canton has successfully concluded negotiations with the Bank of Taiwan for a loan of 800,000 yen, for the purpose of enabling the Canton branch of the Bank of China to redeem its outstanding notes which have been about 20 per cent. below their face value. The loan, which is repayable in six months, is endorsed by the Canton Chamber of Commerce and is secured by the liquor and tobacco taxes of the province of Kwangtung.

Sunday, next, in the Roman Catholic calendar is Roshay Sunday, and it will be especially observed at the Rosary Church at Kowloon. In the morning there will be Mass at 6.30, 7.00 and 8.00 a.m. and Pontifical High Mass at 9. The evening service will be at 4.45 p.m., when there will be recitation of the Rosary, a procession, sermon and benediction. The order of the Procession will be as follows:—Banner of Our Lady; Girls scattering flowers; Chinese Catholic Association Band; St. Joseph's Apostleship of Prayer; St. Joseph's Confraternity; Blessed Sacrament Confraternity; Beaters of the Holy Rosary; Children of Mary; Girls scattering flowers; The Clergy; Status of Our Lady; Girls; Beaters of the Rosary; The Bishop; The Guard of Honour; The Knights; Ladies Apostleship of Prayer; Police Reserve Band; The Faithful.

## THE MAGISTRACY.

### EXPORT OF TOBACCO.

A Chinese was charged with attempting to export a quantity of tobacco without a permit.

Revenue Officer Bridger stated that defendant was arrested on the Ying Tai Hung Wharf with the tobacco in his possession. Mr. D. W. Trueman, Superintendent of Imports and Exports Department, had asked the witness to inform the Magistrate that these cases were becoming very common and that he viewed the present case in a very serious light. He asked the Magistrate for a heavy penalty.

Mr. Wood fined defendant \$100.

### THEFT FROM A EUROPEAN.

A Chinese engineer of the motor boat *Andante*, belonging to Mr. D. K. Moss, of Messrs. Alex. Ross & Co., pleaded guilty to stealing a clock and a barometer from the boat.

Inspector Sim stated that defendant had disappeared since September 15th and was not seen till Wednesday, when he was arrested outside the Taihook Dockyard. The watch and barometer were recovered from a pawn shop.

Mr. Moss, the complainant, stated that defendant had been in his employ for two years. Witness had been away on a holiday and consequently defendant had become slack and had contracted debts through gambling. Defendant was the No. 1 engineer of the motor-boat and had another boy working under him. Witness paid defendant a portion of his wages on September 15th and gave him a further \$5 for repairs, which were not carried out. Defendant's assistant had complained to witness that defendant, who was responsible for paying his wages, had not given him a cent for two months.

Mr. Wolfe said it was a serious thing for a man when given a position of trust to abuse it and sentenced him to six weeks' hard labour.

The pawn-broker was warned by the Magistrate, who said he intended to return the pawned articles to the owner, without compensation.

### OVER-CROWDING IN THEATRES.

The manager of the Po Hing theatre, Yau-mai, was charged with allowing his theatre to be over-crowded.

It was stated that when the performance commenced, every seat in the theatre was occupied, and instead of stopping the sale of tickets defendant continued issuing them, with the result that the whole gangway was blocked by people who were standing there.

Mr. Wolfe said over-crowding was a serious matter, and fined defendant \$50 or two months' rigorous imprisonment.

### BIG HAUL OF OPIUM.

ATTEMPT TO SMUGGLE 1,000 TAI.

An ingenious attempt to export 1,000 taels of opium to Manila on board the *Loong Sang* was foiled by the Police yesterday morning.

It appears that the Police received information that a well-dressed Chinese would board the steamer with opium and they consequently kept watch. The ship's officers and the Police searched the luggage of passengers whom they suspected, and when they came to the luggage of the well-dressed Chinese who had just entered the gangway they noticed a wooden box labelled "cane sugar." The box was opened and 16 tin boxes of "sugar" were found inside. These were also opened and in one of the boxes, instead of the cane sugar, they found 1,000 taels of opium. The man was arrested and taken to the Central Police station.

The price of a tael of opium at present in the local market is \$14.50 and outside Hongkong it is believed to be between \$825 to \$830. Had the man succeeded in exporting the opium he would have enriched himself to the extent of about \$20,000.

The sequel came this morning in the Police Court when the Chinese was charged before Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe with attempting to export the drug without a license.

Sergeant Blackman prosecuted and M. K. Lo defended.

Sergeant Blackman gave a short account of the case, after which Mr. Lo applied for a remand and the fixing of bail.

Mr. Wolfe: It looks as if the bail would be a heavy one.

Mr. Lo: I am afraid so. Your Worship will, however, realise the idea of bail is to prevent the man from getting out of the Colony.

Mr. Wolfe: There is much a lot of money in these opium cases that it may be worth his while to get away.

Mr. Lo: I do not think any man will pay a large sum as bail.

Sergeant Blackman: I might say, your Worship, that defendant, at the Police Station, told me that his master gave him the case to take on board. He gave the address, and when the Police raided the house they found that the master had fled.

Mr. Lo: That seems to be a point in my favour. I hope the matter will be taken into consideration.

Mr. Wolfe: You are pleading "not guilty" on his behalf. The cost of the opium is \$14.50 a tael. The 1,000 taels will be over \$14,000 and ten times that amount, will be the maximum penalty, making it \$140,000.

Mr. Lo: The maximum penalty does not necessarily mean that the maximum bail should be granted.

Mr. Wolfe: The real bail is fixed somewhere in the neighbourhood of ten times the value of the opium.

Mr. Wolfe said he could not fix bail below \$50,000, and remanded the case till next Thursday at 11.30 a.m.

## ALLEGED DARING FORGERY.

### LUNG CHAI-KWONG'S RELATIONS ON TRIAL.

A case which has created a sensation among the Chinese was unfolded this morning at the Magistracy, when four Chinese, Lung Ying King, Wong Kwong Wi, Hui Chuk Po and Leung Kam King, relatives of General Lung Chai-kwong, the ex-Governor of Canton, were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood with forgery and uttering a deposit receipt on the International Banking Corporation in Queen's Road.

The Hon. Mr. McL. Messer, Captain Superintendent of Police, presented Mr. M. K. Lo appeared for the defendants. Captain Messer stated that the case was one of forgery and uttering a deposit receipt for \$150,000,000 on the International Banking Corporation. The defendants deposited with the Bank in question on May 27th \$150,000. On that day the Bank made out a receipt for the second defendant and another man Chin Ho Ti for \$150,000. On April 30th, when the book of deposit receipts was checked by the Bank, it was found that Form No. 36,000 was missing. On May 29th the receipt which was made out for the second defendant and Chin Ho Ti for \$150,000 was presented on the International Bank and the sum was duly paid out. Yesterday the first two defendants went to the International Bank and the missing Form No. 36,000, filled up as a deposit receipt for \$150,000, was presented for payment. It was obviously a case of forgery. At the time third and fourth defendants were outside the Bank.

Mr. Lo asked for a remand and, for a small bail. He said the first defendant came from Peking recently and had no money.

Capt. Messer said the object of the bail was to prevent the men from failing to make an appearance. Since defendants were influential people he thought there would be no difficulty in the matter.

Mr. Wood remanded the case till next Thursday and released the first and second defendants on bail of \$25,000 each and the third and fourth defendants on \$1,000 each.

One of the defendants is a nephew while another is the secretary of General Lung Chai-kwong.

[We understand that the report that the defendants were armed with revolvers when they went to the International Bank yesterday is incorrect. A search at the Central Police Station revealed no firearms on their persons.]

### GOLF COMPETITIONS.

The Competition for the Champion ship of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club will be played over the Main Course at Fanling commencing on Sunday, 13th October. The dates of playing the succeeding rounds are to be announced later. Not more than one round will be played in any one day.

The competition is open to Members and subscribers with handicaps of 10 and under or to others in the discretion of the Committee. It will be decided by Match play, preliminary rounds 18 holes, final 36 holes.

Entries, to be made at Happy Valley, close 9th October.

Mr. E. V. D. Parr has kindly offered a Silver Cup for the best Begay Round on handicap terms over the main course at Fanling in the six months ending 31st March, 1919. This is open to Members and Subscribers. Any number of cards may be taken out. Entrance Fee \$1 per card, to be devoted to War Charities. In the event of a tie the final will be decided by Match Play.

### LADY MAY'S ROSE FUND.

LIST No. 5.

Already acknowledged: \$1,263.50. Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird: 100.00. Messrs. Joseph Brothers: 100.00. H. E. Major General Ventris: 50.00. Miss Ventris: 10.00. Mr. L. N. Leeds: 50.00. \$1,573.50.

### SUNSHINE AND COMMON SENSE.

DON'T doctor your blood for rheumatism. Use an external application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm in a few days it will get you up and on your feet. Nature will cure you, but Chamberlain's Pain Balm will relieve your suffering and prevent disease. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

## Y.R.C. AQUATIC SPORTS.

The annual aquatic sports of the Victoria Recreation Club were commenced yesterday afternoon and will be continued to-day at 4.30 p.m. and on Saturday at 3.30 p.m.

The following heats were swum off in the presence of a good attendance:—Two Lengths Handicap (hurdles): First heat: 1. A. J. V. Ribeiro (recs. 7 sec.), 2. J. Stewart (recs. 2 sec.). Second heat: 1. A. Logan (recs. 1 sec.), 2. J. R. Soares (recs. 4 sec.). Final later.

Two Lengths Handicap (Novices): First heat: 1. C. M. S. Soares (recs. 38 sec.), 2. A. C. Rosario (recs. 22 sec.). Winner's time, 67.5 sec.

440 Yards Glib Championship: 1. A. Logan (6.25 sec.), 2. A. V. Barros (7 sec.).

Running Header from Springboard: 1. A. Logan, 2. J. Stewart.

Four Lengths Handicap (Army and Navy): 1. Moody, 2. White. Winner's time, 1 min. 22 sec.

Two Lengths Handicap (Girls): 1. Rosebud Young, 2. Ruby Young.

Two Lengths Handicap (1st in each heat to swim in final): First Heat: A. J. V. Ribeiro (33.4/5 sec.). Second Heat: H. L. Silva (31.1/5 sec.). Third Heat: F. L. Silva (34.2/5 sec.). Fourth Heat: Medina (37 sec.).

### HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

The Report of the Committee for the Season 1917-1918, is as follows:—GENTLEMEN.—The Committee beg to submit their Report on the working of the Club and the Accounts for the year ending the 31st August, 1918.

The Income and Expenditure Account shows a surplus of \$2,228.11, which is an increase from last season of \$49.23.

The debenture interest amounting to \$510.00 has been paid, and the debentures were kindly presented to the Club by Mr. F. Mailhead.

The amount received on account of Entrance Fees and Subscriptions shows a decrease of \$340.00, and the number of present Playing and Non-playing Members is 127 and 127 respectively.

Naval Officers up to the rank of Lieutenant, and Military Officers up to the rank of Captain, have during the season been permitted to join the Club as Subscribers at the reduced fee of \$1 per month, without Entrance Fee.

The ground generally is in excellent condition and several renewals and repairs have been effected to the Club premises.

The Cricket season was a distinct success, and although many playing Members went home to fight, the Club was able to put in the field a good representative side and managed to win the League.

The most notable achievements were:—Mr. T. E. Pearce 120 runs against the C. R. C. Mr. T. E. Pearce 116 runs against Civil Service. Mr. T. E. Pearce 93 runs against Craignower. Mr. T. E. Pearce 90 runs against the University. Mr. T. E. Pearce 82 (not out) United Services. Mr. H. E. Muriel 80 runs against Craignower. Mr. H. E. Muriel 70 runs against 25th Batta. Middlesex. Mr. H. E. Muriel 73 runs against Kowloon. Captain Gray 64 runs against 25th Batta. Middlesex. Mr. K. Brayley 61 runs against United Services.

The Club also achieved the distinction of winning the Tennis League, Division "A."

The ground has been open for Tennis throughout the season. The Courts on the North side of the ground have been much improved and three sets of new Tennis screens have been supplied.

The entries in the Tennis Tournament held during April, May and June were larger than last season and greater interest than ever was taken in the matches. The stand erected for spectators was a large and useful addition which enabled the Committee to present the sum of \$2,000 to War Charities.

The Singles Open Championship was for the first time not won by a Member of the Club, Mr. Ng Sze Kwong of the Chinese Recreation Club defeating Mr. S. H. Green in the Challenge round and becoming the first holder of the new Challenge Cup kindly presented by Sir Paul Chater.

Mr. Ng Sze Kwong, with Mr. Wong Po Keung, also won the Double Open Championship, for the second year in succession, thereby again becoming the holders of the two Challenge Cups kindly presented by the Hon. Mr. Ho Fook.

Mr. N. E. Kent and Mr. P. H. Cobb were the winners of the "A" class and "B" class Singles respectively, and Messrs. C. Thomas and J. R. Wood won the Handicap Doubles event.

In the Professional Pairs Messrs. R. & H. Hancock defeated Messrs. N. E. Kent and J. S. Jennings in the final, whilst Capt. H. E. Murray and Mrs. Hammond won the Mixed Handicap Doubles.

Miss Ventris kindly presented the prizes and the Challenge Cups at the close of the Tournament.

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Pavilion on Friday the 11th day of October, 1918, at 6.30 p.m.

Committee:—Messrs. T. Mailand, President; The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G.; R. H. Hancock; T. E. Pearce; H. A. Nisbet; Major Robertson; A. O. D. R. P. Thurlfield; M. M. Mass; B. Kennedy; and F. H. Thomas.

By Order of the Committee, Paul M. Hobson, Hon. Secretary.

## THE MILITARY SERVICE TRIBUNAL.

### TO-DAY'S SITTING.

The Military Service Tribunal sat this afternoon at 3.30.

The following cases were dealt with:—

### THE COMMERCIAL UNION INSURANCE CO.

Mr. Trenchard Davis applied for total exemption on behalf of Mr. G. A. Dumbarton on grounds already placed before the Tribunal, i.e. that it was impossible to replace Mr. Dumbarton and insurance business was of essential interests to the Empire and of national importance. Mr. Davis also stated that he would have to leave China for six months' under medical advice.

A further six months' exemption was granted.

### MESSRS. GERIN, DREVAUD & COMPANY.

Mr. J. D. Birrell asked for total exemption claiming that his services were indispensable to his firm and it had been found impossible to secure a substitute. He was in sole charge of the Hongkong Office.

Major Morgan claimed non-exemption.

No further exemption was granted. Mr. Birrell gave notice of appeal.

### MESSRS. WHITEWAY, LAIDLAW & CO.

Mr. E. V. Mitchell asked for total exemption on grounds already placed before the Tribunal.

The Chairman said that a further letter had been received from the Directors of the Company asking that in view of the large number of men that had been taken from the firm for active service, no more men should be taken. It was also pointed out that the business of the Company was of essential interest to the Colony with regard to export business.

Major Morgan made no claim. Total exemption was granted.

### THE HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

Mr. F. M. H. Holman came before the Tribunal for the first time. Total exemption was granted.

MESSRS. ALEX. ROSS & CO. Mr. D. K. Moss applied for total exemption.

Total exemption was granted.

### CITY HALL WORK PARTY.

During the month of September the City Hall Work Party packed the following:—15 mosquito nets, 6 dressing gowns, 13 small pillows, 3 reversible bed-jackets, 5 pairs slippers, 3 milk covers, 13 belts, 1 pair operation stockings, 3 bed-jackets, 31 dozen handkerchiefs, 9 scrubbers, 66 suits pyjamas, 80 shirts, 37 vests, and 9 comfort bags which were kindly given by Mrs. Barnett.

The Mothers' Union Work Party contributed the following:—14 vests, 7 shirts, 8 pyjamas, 4 sweaters, 8 pairs knee-caps, 5 pairs socks, 3 helmets, 3 bed-jackets. Two cases were packed and sent to Vladivostok, and there are four further cases packed ready to be forwarded when required, also articles packed by the Wool Department.

We acknowledge with many thanks the kind gifts of 25 boxes of bat soap from Messrs. W. G. Humphreys & Co. and 2 cases of toilet soap and samples from Messrs. Harry Wicking & Co. to be given as presents for the troops.

F. LAMBERT.

(for Mrs. N. J. Stubb.)

Hongkong, 3rd October, 1918.

### INTERPORT LAWN BOWLS.

#### HONGKONG DEFEATS THE S.L.B.C.

The *N. C. Daily News* of Monday last says:—Hongkong added another victory to their list on Saturday morning when they beat the Lawn Bowls Club by 11 points. The



## TELEGRAMS.

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## THE GREAT BATTLE.

## BATTLE NORTH AND SOUTH OF ST. QUENTIN.

## TOWN DAMAGED BY ENEMY.

London, Oct. 3. Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters, telegraphing yesterday, says:—

Whole quarters of St. Quentin are burning. Our advanced units yesterday crossed the town to the eastern side. One company reached the railway station at the south-eastern corner. Fighting continued at night in various parts of the town.

The ancient Town Hall is not visibly damaged, but it has probably been hit. It cannot yet be said if the interesting buildings of the town that they are beyond the reach of danger.

The battle continues north and south of St. Quentin. To the north the French advanced towards Omissy, three miles north-east of the town.

To the south we have pushed back the Germans to their original Hindenburg defences.

In the eastern outskirts of the town, the Germans are actively fighting against our delaying actions. The town is ours.

## AN ANTI-TANK BARRAGE.

General Lindendorff has issued an order for the immediate creation of a special anti-tank barrage composed of mines and concrete obstacles in front of positions exposed to attack. It has been decided by the Germans to use machine-guns for this purpose. On such anti-tank zone is already in existence north of Rheims and others have been identified on various parts of the front.

## AMERICAN FRONT.

## FURTHER ENEMY WITHDRAWAL ANTICIPATED.

London, Oct. 3. Reuter's Correspondent at American Headquarters, telegraphing yesterday, states:—

The weather has become dry and cold, making the roads again available for traffic, and transport of supplies.

The enemy opposition continues but signs are not wanting that his fight is of a covering character and that he meditates withdrawal to a more distant line of defence.

## WARNING AGAINST OVER-OPTIMISM.

## GREATEST SACRIFICE REQUIRED FOR ALLIED VICTORY.

London, Oct. 2. While the immediate and prospective advantages of Bulgaria's surrender are fully recognized, the newspapers here are uttering warnings against over-optimism. It is pointed out that even if the downfall of Turkey speedily followed, the hardest part of the Allies' military task would still remain.

As regards the "Parliamentarisation" of Germany, it is emphasised that the main object is to strengthen the enemy's resistance by convincing the German troops that Germany will become a free country. Meanwhile, the enemy on the Western Front is fighting very bravely and very determinedly. Continuous effort and the greatest self-sacrifice are still required to attain an Allied victory.

## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE BUOYANT.

## CONSOLS AND RUSSIAN STOCKS IN DEMAND.

London, Oct. 2. There was a feeling of greater buoyancy on the Stock Exchange this afternoon than for a long time in Consols and also Russian minerals and oils.

## GERMANY'S LOST MAN-POWER.

250,000 IN FEW MONTHS.

Paris, Oct. 2. Germany has lost a quarter of a million men in the last few months. The people are growing with discontent that their allies are either deserting them or have become paralyzed. —Hansa.

## FRENCH REVIEW OF THE SITUATION.

PARIS, Oct. 2.

General Debeney's men, in liaison with the British Fourth Army, entered St. Quentin and pushed the enemy beyond the Canal.

On the eastern side of the town the enemy put up a stubborn defence. The French penetrated deeply into the Hindenburg system.

General Berthelot's Fifth Army compelled the enemy to abandon the high ground between the Aisne and the Vesle.

There was a pitched battle of extreme violence at Cambrai. The Germans fought desperately, throwing all their available troops. Twelve divisions were accumulated north of Cambrai. —Hansa.

## COALITION GOVERNMENT FOR GERMANY.

## CONSERVATIVES SINK THEIR DIFFERENCES.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 3.

A message from Berlin says at a meeting of the Conservatives in the Reichstag it was resolved to sacrifice convictions and to participate in a Coalition Government with a view to obtaining an honourable termination of the war.

## THE NEW GOVERNMENT'S PROGRAMME.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 3.

The *Volksrecht* states the new Government's programme will provide for the settlement of Eastern questions, giving the Border peoples a right to self-determination.

## DR. VON PAYER REFUSES THE CHANCELLORSHIP.

The Berlin Press announces that Dr. von Payer has definitely refused the Chancellorship candidature. Prince Max of Baden is now favoured. The Prince has declared his willingness to accept it, conditionally upon the support of the Reichstag Majority.

## A DICTATORSHIP SUGGESTED FOR GERMANY.

PARIS, Oct. 2.

There is point and bluster in Germany. There is no alternative, save a Dictatorship, says a Junker organ. The Socialists, Radicals and some of the Centre Party see salvation only in a popularly elected cabinet. All agree on one point, that Germany's military and political policy have failed. —Hansa.

## GERMANS STILL HOPE IN BULGARIA.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 3.

The German Press are still incredulous that Bulgaria has entirely deserted the Central Powers, professing to cling, as a last hope, to the results of the despatch of Austrian and German troops to Sofia.

## AUSTRO-GERMAN TROOPS IN SOFIA.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 2.

A message from Vienna states that Austro-German troops have arrived at Sofia.

## HOW BULGARIA'S SURRENDER EFFECTED GERMANY.

## THE WORST PANIC SINCE OUTBREAK OF WAR.

PARIS, Oct. 2.

The news of Bulgaria's surrender has been like a thunderclap to Germany. It has caused the greatest dismay on the Berlin Bourse. There has been no worse panic since the outbreak of the war. A slump occurred in all war industry stocks. —Hansa.

## THE CAPTURE OF DAMASCUS.

## ITS IMPORTANCE EMPHASISED.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

The newspapers give prominence to the British capture of Damascus, and emphasise that it is one of the most important Turkish bases in Asia Minor and the principal supply centre for the captured Turkish armies.

They also dwell on its great historical interest and express the opinion that the capture will create an enormous impression throughout Islam.

## EX-BOLSHEVIST AGENT IN LONDON.

BROOKLYN, Oct. 3.

Mr. Livshitz, the ex-Bolshevik agent in London, and his party have arrived at Christiania.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## THE WESTERN FRONT.

## FRENCH GAIN FRESH ADVANTAGES.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

A French communiqué says:— In St. Quentin very lively actions occurred during the night. The enemy has been thrown over to the east bank of the Canal, where he resists energetically.

Between the Aisne and the Vesle we have gained fresh advantages west of Rheims.

We hold Poulillon and Thil on the southern outskirts of Villers-Francais. St. Thierry massif is in our hands.

We have also gained ground north of Neuville and carried our lines to the southern outskirts of Betheny. In Champagne the situation remained unchanged during the night.

## THE SITUATION REVIEWED.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

The consensus of opinion of correspondents yesterday was that the German resistance has stiffened and the enemy is fighting most desperately in an attempt to hold vital positions. The struggle is most furious on the road to Cambrai, which the German High Command evidently considers essential to the whole line of defence. Twelve German Divisions have been flung in on this sector since Sept. 27, of which six are on a front of five miles. On the other hand, the British are fighting with incomparable spirit, advancing steadily, if slower than recently.

The fact that the Germans deliberately set fire to Cambrai shows that they are not hopeful of saving the town. Several papers are of opinion that in view of the wanton destruction of cities like Cambrai the Allies should announce their intention of reprisals.

It is pointed out that Marshal Foch's skill in threatening the enemy with a strategical rupture at three points, namely, Metz, Central France and Belgium, accounts for the enemy's apprehension of disaster and the consequent hardening of resistance.

The papers deprecate having too much optimism on the surrender of Bulgaria, declaring that the task of the Allies in the West is still stupendously difficult. Similarly, American newspapers are far from assuming that the war is over and urge redoubled effort, as the opportunity is ripe to completely defeat Germany on the battlefield.

## GREAT INTEREST IN FLANDERS OPERATIONS.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

There is great interest in the operations in Flanders. A French semi-official message states that General Degoutte's Army has been operating since Monday. Previously it acted on the left of General Mangin's army. Presumably it was sent north as soon as the Belgian-British breakthrough was definitely established.

## THE ALLIED TACTICS.

PARIS, Oct. 2.

A semi-official message, after confirming that all communications in Western Flanders with Lille are cut, speaks of an enveloping movement from the north against Tournai, Roubaix and Lille which is becoming accentuated, and incidentally mentions that the French army under General Degoutte is now operating in the vicinity of Roulers.

## GERMANS ADMIT WITHDRAWALS.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

A wireless German official message says:—

We withdrew parts of the salient lines near St. Quentin, north-westward of Rheims and westward of the Argonne.

The enemy gained a footing in Ledeghem, but our counter-attack regained the eastern part. On the fifth day of the Cambrai battle we repulsed seven assaults northward of Seaucourt, and further south the enemy advanced beyond Abancourt and Batigny, and towards the Cuvillers. A counter-attack drove him back beyond Abancourt and Batigny.

The enemy's assault broke down at and south of Cambrai.

The enemy captured Rumilly and occupied St. Quentin.

We withdrew from the Vesle, to north-westward of Rheims.

## AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN PROPAGANDA.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

The Press Bureau announces:— A Serbian semi-official message states that the news of the rising of the Serbians, Croats and Slovenes should be received with great reserve, as it is feared that the Austro-Hungarians are inducing the police to execute peaceful inhabitants in order to furnish a pretext to confiscate their property and imprison them in Austria-Hungary.

## THE CLYDE SHIPPING STRIKE.

## WORKMEN RETURN TO WORK.

LONDON, Oct. 1.

The Clyde shipwrights have resumed work to-day.

## WIDESPREAD TERROR IN GERMANY.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

The Press Bureau states that a neutral who has returned from Germany states that there is widespread terror on the Rhine owing to the British raid. The central portion of the Frankfurt main station is so damaged that trains are unable to enter but arrive and depart at improvised wooden platforms some distance from the station.

## WHY GERMANY MUST HAVE COLONIES.

## DR. SOLF'S VIEWS.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 2.

Dr. Solf, lecturing at Munich before an audience including the King of Bavaria, said the national importance of regaining the colonies was unsurpassed by any other task. Present substitutes for raw materials could not suffice for peace. For every five million sheep which would be practically impossible. The supply of raw materials was the weakest point in Germany's world economy, hence the need of the colonies. Dr. Solf argued that Germany must have her colonies to prevent her commercial isolation. He said the policy of the open door must be one of the most important demands at the conclusion of peace. Germany had no thought of militarising Africa but desired to prevent the employment of coloured men in Europe. The Imperial Government adhered firmly to the demand for the return of the African and South Sea possessions as well as a fresh partition of Africa so as to consolidate Germany's scattered possessions. Dr. Solf added that Belgium, Portugal and France possessed excessively large stretches of territory and remarked that Germany did not want the lion's share.

## THE CAMPAIGN IN RUSSIA.

## POSITIONS CLEARED OF ENEMY.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

A British official message from North Russia says:— In connection with the capture of Ukhinskaya, 160 of the enemy were killed.

Southern Karelia has been cleared of the enemy except for 200 newly-arrived reinforcements which are surrounded south-westward of Ukhinskaya.

## RECOGNITION OF THE CZECHO-SLAVS.

## GREAT ENTHUSIASM IN BOHEMIA.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.

Official despatches state that the recognition of the Czecho-Slavs as a nation has been received in Bohemia with genuine enthusiasm. As a result the Czech political parties in the Austrian Government have refused, in spite of the strongest pressure, the demand that they shall disavow the Czecho-Slovak National Council in Paris as an incompetent body possessing no allies in the countries inhabited by the Czecho-Slavs. It is said that the Czecho-Slovak clergy assembled at Prague on the 13th and expressed their sympathy with the declaration of Czech writers and deputies and repeated the national oath pledging unqualified support to the Czecho-Slavs' independence.

## A WAR FRONTIER FOR ITALY.

An official despatch from Rome states that some Magyar troops were defeated by the Czecho-Slovak unit on the Italian front recently. The valour displayed by the Czecho-Slovak has brought from Premier Orlando the following telegram of congratulations to the Czecho-Slovak National Council in Paris:—

I cordially express my admiration at the intrepid firmness and valour of the Czecho-Slovak division on the Alps of Dossio Alto, where these brave people who are fighting for their liberty have conquered the aggressive fury of the enemy. May this be a good omen for our final battle and victory.

This action, the first in Italy where the Czecho-Slavs acted as a unit, occurred in the Trentino last Saturday. The enemy launched an attack which had been prepared with the greatest secrecy to the east of Lake Garda. Captured despatches indicate that there was no definite territorial objective but the stroke was planned in the hope of obtaining support to an Austrian claim that the Czechs would give way voluntarily, when faced by the army of the country which has so long subjugated them. In Rome it is believed that if the Austrians had achieved a local success they would have killed all of their Czech prisoners and then affirmed that the Czechs did not want to fight.

The despatches describing the battle said that the assault was made by a big detachment of Magyars and Germans under General Schissler, following a destructive artillery fire in which thousands of gas shells were used. The Czecho-Slavs went over the top and drove back the first column. The second column, after desperate fighting, succeeded in occupying the Czecho-Slovak position but was driven out by a counter-attack. No prisoners were taken on either side. —American Wireless.

## DIPHTHERIA—HOW IT MAY BE AVOIDED.

DIPHTHERIA is usually contracted when the child has a cold. The cold provides the child a way for the reception and development of the diphtheria germs. When there are cases of diphtheria in the neighbourhood children that have colds should be kept at home and off the street until recovered. Give them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and they will not have to remain at home long. It is also cleaner at the child's feet, a high form in a child's throat when it has a cold and minimizes the risk of contracting infectious diseases for all children.

## THE SITUATION IN RUSSIA.

## CREATION OF RUSSIAN CENTRAL AUTHORITY NOMINATIONS.

PEKING, Sept. 25.

The Russian Legation has received a telegram dated Ufa, Sept. 24, from M. Wladimir, who is in charge of the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Samara Committee of the members of the All-Russian Constituent Assembly, which unites the legal organs of authority in European Russia in a similar manner as the Siberian Government Committee represents all the Parties which have remained faithful to the Allies and have determined to continue the war against the Bolsheviks and Germans in alliance with the Czecho-Slavs. The decisions of the conference at Ufa, with the voluntary dissolution of the Vladivostok Government and the arrangement with General Horvath have practically resulted in the creation of a central authority for the whole of Russia.

The conference has decided to vest the supreme authority in five persons, who will be responsible to the All-Russian Constituent Assembly, which will be convened on the 1st January, 1919, and has nominated the following:—

M. Aysenski, Minister of the Interior in the last Provisional Government.

M. Vologodsky, Premier of the Siberian Government.

M. Tchakovsky, the head of the Government of North Russia.

Lieut. General Boidyreff, who has succeeded General Korniloff in command of the 8th Russian Army.

M. Astroff, formerly Mayor of Moscow.

## UNITY OF RUSSIAN FORCES.

## AGREEMENT REACHED.

PEKING, Sept. 24.

M. Vologodsky, the Premier of the Government, and General Horvath have reached an agreement whereby their forces unite.

## COLLAPSE OF VLADIVOSTOCK SIBERIAN GOVERNMENT.

## SENSATION CREATED IN VLADIVOSTOCK.

VLADIVOSTOCK, Sept. 24.

The sudden collapse of the Vladivostock Siberian Government, almost on the eve of its departure for Tomsk created a great sensation here.

The letter written by Lavroff, the Premier of the late Vladivostock Siberian Government, to Vologodsky, the Premier of the Omsk Siberian Government, announcing the resignation of the former was made public to-day.

It explains that, in order that the State shall suffer no harm from duality of premiers, he renounces his title and claim to be considered member of the Government.

His colleagues are understood to have written to Vologodsky in similar terms.

Reuter's correspondent learns unofficially that an arrangement has just been concluded between Vologodsky and the Cadets and other non-Socialist Parties pursuant to which General Horvath becomes a member of the Omsk Government, remaining in the Far East as Russian High Commissioner.

## PRINCE LYOFF AT HARBIN.

HARBIN, Sept. 23.

Prince Lyoff, formerly Prime Minister of the First Russian Provisional Government, passed through Harbin to-day from Ufa on his way to Vladivostock. He was accompanied by M. Viruboff, formerly assistant Minister of the Interior in the same Government. The latter fled from Moscow, and joined Prince Lyoff at Ekaterinburg, where the Prince had been kept in prison for many months by the Bolsheviks. M. Viruboff states that they both assisted at a meeting held at Ufa for the purpose of deciding the question of the creation of a future Central Government for Russia. The meeting was apparently successful for a final agreement of all parties was at last attained.

## GENERAL GAIDA'S APPOINTMENT.

## NOT RECOGNISED BY KWANTUNG GOVERNMENT.

TOKIO, Sept. 23.

A War Office official message says:— The Governor-General of Kwantung has informed the Consular Body at Harbin that General Gaida's appointment as Commander-in-Chief of the whole of Russia is not recognised.

## MERCHANT SHIPPING CONSTRUCTION.

LONDON, Oct. 2.

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